

REBELS CAPTURE PAY TRAIN NEAR CAPITAL

Get 100,000 Pesos and Ammunition at Station of Oriental.

TORREON'S FALL RUMORED

Spanish Minister Said to Be Preparing to Leave Mexico City.

Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun. Mexico City, Jan. 14.—Although Senor de Cologan y Cologan, the Spanish Minister, emphatically denied to-day through the morning papers the report that he was about to retire, most of his friends and other members of the Spanish colony are convinced that the report is true and that the Minister's denial was given out for diplomatic reasons.

A band of 100 rebels attacked this morning the station of Oriental, at the junction of the two branches of the Inter-oceanic Railroad, between here and Vera Cruz. A pay train containing 100,000 pesos was waiting at this station and this was the reason for the rebel attack. Twenty-five ruffians, who were guarding the train, surrendered after a brief fight in which one was killed and two wounded. After their victory the rebels left, taking with them the engine and the pay car. The paymaster has not been seen since.

Federals in Pursuit. Immediately upon the receipt of the news of this attack a Federal force was sent out from San Juan de los Rios in pursuit. All the trains on the line have been held up throughout the day in order to enable the Federals to capture the fleeing rebels. The only trains which were operated to-night between here and Vera Cruz went out with a heavy military escort.

Fighting is reported around Tuxtla, the centre of the wealthiest tobacco region of Mexico, situated chiefly in the State of Vera Cruz. The Government announces that about forty rebels were killed there to-day.

The Federals are making the greatest effort to repair the railroad between San Luis Potosi and Saltillo in order to be able to bring 2,000 carloads of cotton bales from the Torreon region. Most of this cotton is at Hipolite, and 800 cars are ready for shipment at Saltillo. Two strong Federal columns numbering from 1,000 to 2,000 men each were sent to-day to San Luis Potosi to protect the shipments. The Federals have repaired and garrisoned the line as far as Motezuma, about forty miles north of Saltillo.

The Government announced to-night that the entire road to Saltillo will be repaired within five days and that the cotton will be brought in within a week. Many millions of dollars are involved in the shipments, as most of the cotton mills in the States of Mexico, Guanajuato and Puebla have closed down or are using American cotton.

Fighting Near San Luis. The Government reports fighting around San Luis Potosi to-day. The rebel leaders, Isabal Gaona and Guiza, were killed at a place located about forty miles from San Luis Potosi. The rebels have been driven away from there several times, but have always succeeded in returning. The Governor of the State of Tamaulipas repeats to-day his daily denial of the existence of any danger of an attack on Tampico. In his latest message he declares that his scouts have covered a radius of about twenty-five miles without encountering any rebels. This, however, seems suspicious in view of the fact that a week ago he reported that his scouts had carefully gone over a radius of 100 miles without seeing the enemy.

A strong but unconfirmable rumor is current in the capital to-night to the effect that a rebel force attacked Torreon to-day. Eighty Federal officers were brought into Mexico city last night and lodged in the military prison. They are said to have been brought here from Guaymas, where the Federal garrison is reported to have revolted and gone over to the rebels.

BANK HOLIDAY EXTENDED.

Huerta Decides to Levy New Tax on Mortgages. Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun. Mexico City, Jan. 15 (Thursday).—The Government announced last night that a bank holiday for all financial institutions in the republic had been extended until March 31.

The Government at the same time published a decree taxing all capital invested in mortgages at the rate of 1 per cent. The penalty upon failure to pay is three times the amount of the tax.

Foreign Minister Madero has sent a request by cable to Washington asking that the United States permit Gen. Mercedano and the Federal army officers and soldiers who fled from Ojinaga into Texas and are now at Fort Bliss to return to Mexico.

Senator Madero also cabled to the Mexican diplomatic representatives throughout the world the text of President Huerta's decree suspending payment of the interest on the bonds of the national debt.

REBELS OCCUPY ORIENTAL.

Vera Cruz Bank Gets Demand for 2,000,000 Peso Loan. Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun. Vera Cruz, Jan. 14.—The rebel band which robbed a paycar on the Inter-oceanic Railway to-day near the station of Oriental, securing a large amount of money, took possession later of the town itself. They captured 150 kegs of powder, seventy-five cases of dynamite, and at the hour of this message they are still holding the town.

The military commander of Vera Cruz received orders to-night from the War Department to exercise "forceful influence" on all local banks with a view to obtaining funds for the Government. In compliance with this order the commander has demanded a loan of 2,000,000 pesos from the Banco Mercantil. The bank officials are now in session and have promised to give an early reply to this request.

Large business concerns here have for some time past been buying discounted coupons for payment at the Custom House. Officials of the Custom House,

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however, refused to-day to accept these coupons, declaring that in accordance with the decree just issued only cash would be received within the last six months.

The Federals at Tuxpan yesterday made a forced loan from the local branch of the Banco Mercantil. The bank agent was held prisoner until he produced the 70,000 pesos which the military commander demanded.

James Shepherd, American confidential agent of Huerta, arrived here to-day from New Orleans on the steamer City of Mexico. Several Mexican army officers from Ojinaga also arrived on the same steamer.

SAYS POLICY DEFEATS ITSELF.

"Daily Mail" Thinks Plan is Not Favorable to Wilson's Aims. Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun. London, Jan. 15.—The Daily Mail thinks it is doubtful if President Wilson's policy of waiting for something to happen in Mexico is altogether favorable to his aims and views.

"His excellent intentions," it says, "are to be criticised only on the score of practicability, but sooner or later he will have to face the alternative of allowing the Mexicans to solve the critical problem in their own way or of solving it by the force of American arms."

"TEMPS" ATTACKS HUERTA.

Says Mexico is Being Driven to Complete Exhaustion. Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun. Paris, Jan. 14.—Le Temps, discussing the notification of the Mexican Government that it would not pay the interest on the bonds of the national debt, says that Gen. Huerta's moratorium is evidently a reply to Washington's notification that any financial aid given to him will be considered an unfriendly act. It adds:

"European interests will feel more and more severely the consequences of the policy of the United States, which favors the revolutionists and seems, purposely or unconsciously, to drive Mexico to complete exhaustion." Le Temps suggests that the elections to be held in Mexico in July, although they will be merely a simulacrum for Mexico, may send to power a man who will be persona grata to Washington and enable President Wilson, without loss of prestige, to change his attitude.

The newspaper quotes the New York World to the effect that the United States is not prepared for war and deduces from this that Washington should adopt a policy of conciliation.

SECURITIES DROP IN PARIS.

Bourse Feels Effect of Huerta Government's Default. Special Cable Dispatch to The Sun. Paris, Jan. 14.—The announcement of the default of the Mexican Government in the payment of the interest on bonds of the national debt affected the Bourse generally to-day. All Mexican stocks slumped. The shares of 5 per cent. interior loans dropped almost three points and those of the Banco Nacional ten.

VILLA TO RECRUIT 10,000.

Says His New Troops Will Use Arms Taken at Ojinaga. El Paso, Tex., Jan. 14.—Pancheo Villa has decided to add 10,000 men to his rebel army. He declares that the arms captured at Ojinaga together with arms and ammunition he had previously taken from the Federals will enable him to arm and equip that many men fully. Recruiting was commenced in Juarez to-day.

United States army officers and Red Cross officials here are making active preparation for the reception of the 4,419 Mexican refugees and Federal soldiers when they arrive from Presidio. The quartermaster's department is wiring to St. Louis and other quartermaster's depots for tents, bedding and other supplies, as there is not sufficient in the local depot to supply the refugee colony.

The quartermaster's depot here is sending rations to feed the refugees daily. A shipment of 5,000 rations was sent on Tuesday and 15,000 more on Wednesday. Food and water have been distributed along the seventy miles of road from Presidio to Marfa for the Federals as they march overland. An effort will be made to transport the women and children in wagons and ambulances, though this will be the most difficult part of the work of moving the Mexicans. There are not enough wagons and carriages in the Big Bend country to haul them.

MEXICAN STOCKS UNCHANGED.

Bankers Here Have Not Been Informed Officially of Decree. Despite the official announcement made in the morning papers yesterday of President Huerta's decision to suspend payment of the interest on the national debt, both internal and external bankers who have been in touch with Mexican financing said that they had not been officially advised by the Government or by their agents in Mexico city. The Mexican President's decree did not cause any selling of the bonds of the United States of Mexico and the second preferred stock of the National Railways of Mexico is selling at about the same figure it did before the decree.

On account of the fact that very few of the Mexican issues are held in this country, most of them having been sold abroad, the decision of Mexico's President did not cause any great deal of discussion.

FIGHT ON WILLIAMS PROBABLY WILL FAIL

Nominee for Comptroller Tells Senate Committee of Munsey Deal.

DENIES ANY FAVORITISM

Washington Bankers Opposed to Official Fear Power He Will Wield.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14.—Friends of the Administration in the Senate lost no time to-day in their efforts to secure the confirmation of John Skelton Williams as Comptroller of the Currency. With the prospect of a Senatorial investigation into the Munsey Trust Company deal confronting them, the friends of Mr. Williams got busy and a special meeting of the Senate Committee on Banking and Currency was called this afternoon to consider the nomination, which came to the Senate yesterday.

Democratic Senators were insistent upon favorable action immediately. Suggestions made in the committee that an investigation might be called for and that therefore action ought to be delayed seemed to have no weight.

Chairman Owen said previous to the committee meeting that Mr. Williams was eminently qualified and that opposition to him was due to the National City Bank.

When the committee was in session Senator Weeks suggested that there ought to be an inquiry into the circumstances of the absorption by the Munsey Trust Company of the United States Trust Company, in which John Skelton Williams, as Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, was alleged to have unduly favored the Munsey Trust Company, of which his brother, R. Lancaster Williams, is a director.

Senator Weeks referred to the charges that Mr. Williams and Thomas F. Ryan had grappled for control of the Seaboard Air Line Railroad and suggested that Mr. Ryan ought to be called as a witness. The versions given out in behalf of Mr. Williams put the new Comptroller in a favorable light and attacked Mr. Ryan unmercifully.

Oppose Calling Thomas F. Ryan.

But Democratic Senators were unwilling to call Mr. Ryan. The mere suggestion roused a storm of protest, led by Senator Shafroth of Colorado. Three or four of the Democratic members of the committee said they would attach no importance to anything that Mr. Ryan might say.

Finally Senator Reed moved that the committee make a favorable report on the nomination of Mr. Williams. Republican members insisted that there ought to be an investigation of the Munsey deal. Thereupon Senator Reed suggested that the committee take a recess and that the chairman meanwhile notify Mr. Williams and the local bankers, including the President of the National Bank of Washington, that the committee would hear them on the Munsey Trust Company deal.

Mr. Williams responded promptly to the invitation. W. J. Fisher, the Biggs National Bank, who was chairman of a committee of the Clearing House Association, and William R. Merriam, director of the Federal Reserve Bank, accompanied the Continental Trust Company in Washington, and Vice-President Warden of the same company also appeared.

For more than two hours Mr. Williams explained the Munsey Trust Company deal, submitting correspondence and documents to show that no favoritism was shown. He said that the United States Trust Company had been investigated six months before the deal, by a bank examiner, who reported an impairment of capital, that the company received six months in which to wipe out the impairment, and that the deal was made six months instead of an improvement. It was found that there was even greater impairment, amounting practically to a million dollars.

He said that the local bankers were then notified to be prepared to extend the necessary aid to the trust company and prevent a general run. Mr. Williams submitted correspondence which tended to prove that the National Bank of Washington had negotiated for the acquisition of the United States Trust Company and had finally decided not to take it over. These negotiations were carried on throughout the knowledge of the Treasury Department.

More Negotiations Fail.

Later, when the condition of the United States Trust Company was found to be critical, there was some correspondence with the Continental Trust Company looking to taking over the business. These negotiations failed, although the correspondence tended to show that the Treasury Department stood ready to extend financial aid by way of making deposits with the local national banks for use of the Continental Trust Company in meeting a possible run.

Mr. Merriam and Mr. Warden verified Mr. Williams' statements on this point. Mr. Williams had said that the Senate on this nomination it appeared probable that there would be an investigation of the Munsey Trust Company deal. Leading Republican Senators were busy collecting information on the Munsey deal and it was admitted that a resolution of investigation was being considered.

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CAPT. SWEENEY'S TRIAL BEGINS.

Denies Neglect of Duty in Failing to Prevent Strass Murder. Police Captain John F. Sweeney of the Fifth street station was put on trial at Police Headquarters yesterday for "failing to take such action as might reasonably be necessary to prevent the commission of a crime resulting in the death of Frederick Straus near 23 St. Mark's place on the night of January 9."

After several witnesses were heard Third Deputy Commissioner Newburger postponed the case for a further hearing at 10 A. M. next Saturday. William F. Murphy, a former police sergeant, appeared as counsel for Capt. Sweeney. He tried to prevent witnesses from testifying whose names were not mentioned in the complaint served on the captain, but was overruled. Fifty witnesses were in the court room, mostly policemen and detectives attached to the Fifth street station, and the court of Inspector Myers, who is in charge of the district. Capt. Sweeney's defence was that he did not know of the gangster's ball at Arlington Hall, 25 St. Mark's place, and for that reason did not send policemen to prevent trouble.



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TWO GIRLS TELL STORY OF THE TRUNK MURDER

Describe Moving of Body From Flat by Men Now Held by Police.

Two Polish girls were arrested last night in connection with the murder of Ivan Martysewicz in a flat at 529 East Eleventh street. Martysewicz's body was put into a trunk and left in Pitt street two weeks ago.

Statements made by the girls, Deputy Police Commissioner Dougherty says, clear away all mystery in the crime.

The girls are Stefania Kwinkowska, 18 years, a waitress, now living at 103 Second street, and Carrie Maggenheimer, 19 years old, of 33 Avenue A. There are three other prisoners, Charles Dranevich and John Rabinoff, who were arrested in Newark on Tuesday night, and Victor Muravlov, who was arrested here on Sunday night.

This is the story Dougherty says the two girls told: Ivan Martysewicz was induced to go to the East Eleventh street flat in the belief that he would get a good job. Dranevich was introduced as the boss for a contractor. There was talk and drinks. Then Ivan became sleepy and was helped to a bedroom in the rear, where he died. That was on Saturday night. A cheap watch and \$1.50 were taken from Ivan's pockets.

It is the opinion that the nomination will be favorably reported and confirmed after some delay. Chairman Owen believes there will be little delay.

Regarding the action of the Senate on this nomination it appeared probable that there would be an investigation of the Munsey Trust Company deal. Leading Republican Senators were busy collecting information on the Munsey deal and it was admitted that a resolution of investigation was being considered.

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WASHINGTON ARGUES FOR BANK.

Baltimore Also Gives its Federal Reserve Claims.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14.—Rival claims of Baltimore and Washington for a Federal reserve bank were presented to-day before the organization committee. Washington business men and financiers argued that as the Federal Reserve Board will have to become acquainted not only with the operation of the new currency system as a whole, but with many of the economic details of the regional banks, a bank in the capital might be the operating model for the entire system and could be conducted without conflicting with any State bank laws.

Baltimoreans explained that Baltimore's position as the financial capital of the region bounded on the north by the Mason and Dixon line and on the west by the Appalachian Mountains is and has been for more than a century an established fact. Without endeavoring to discount the claims of Atlanta the Baltimore financiers strove to show that the financial dominance of the Monumental City existed even in Georgia itself.

The claims of Richmond were in a measure discounted by the presentation of more than 500 letters from banking institutions in Virginia and the Carolinas in which it was set forth that Baltimore was in every instance second choice and in most instances the point preferred when claims upon State pride and neighborliness had been set aside.

DEUTSCHE BANK TABLES OUT.

Annual Compilation of Statistics Covers Wide Field.

The Deutsche Bank has issued its annual compilation of statistics, covering a wide field of banking and commodity markets for a period of more than a century. Tables are presented giving periodical changes in the circulation of the Reichsbank during the years 1911 to 1913 inclusive and a comparison of circulation with the bullion holdings of the bank during each month for the last ten years.

Tables and diagrams of the movements in the private discount rates in Berlin are also presented in addition charts are given of the price movements of the following commodities for the past three years: Cotton, lead, rubber, jute, coffee, copper, corn, petroleum, rye, pig iron, salt-peter, lard, silver, wheat, wool, zinc, tin and sugar.

These price variations are given for the principal markets of the world. The charts and tables are very complete.

CURRENCY LAW IS PRAISED IN JERSEY

Manufacturers Association at First Convention Hears It Extolled.

TRENTON, N. J., Jan. 14.—The Manufacturers Association of New Jersey held its first annual convention here to-day at the Republican Club with a large attendance.

There were several speeches at the afternoon session, presided over by President J. Philip Bird, which the members found of absorbing interest. William C. Cornwell expressed belief in the basic soundness of the currency bill, which, he said, will confer these three great benefits on the country:

"First—The reserves, heretofore scattered and useless except as weak individual defences in case of panic, are piled up at a few, instead of many, points, and under one control, will serve as efficient protection against disaster."

"Second—The millions in good commercial paper heretofore compelled mainly to be held useless in bank vaults until maturity will be rendered promptly negotiable."

"Third—An elastic currency is created, increased automatically to respond to the legitimate demands of sound business, abolishing forever the annual crop money squeeze and the alternate surpluses of funds at the great cities."

States' Boundary Line Ratified.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14.—Senator Wadsworth's resolution ratifying the agreement for the boundary lines between Massachusetts and Connecticut was passed to-day by the Senate. By this act the boundary is permanently fixed, as the State Legislatures have heretofore ratified the adjudication of boundary by a joint commission.

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